

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c), the following complete listing of claims replaces all prior versions of the claims in the application:

1. (Withdrawn) A passenger seat for a vehicle, comprising:
 - a frame for being attached to a floor of a vehicle;
 - an upwardly-extending seat back carried by said frame;
 - a seat bottom carried by said frame for supporting a passenger;
 - a footrest disposed forward of said seat bottom, said footrest having a foot supporting surface positioned above said floor.

2. (Withdrawn) The passenger seat of claim 1, wherein said footrest comprises:
 - an enclosure having a front wall, opposed top and bottom walls, opposed side walls, and a rear opening, said enclosure defining a surface for support a passenger's foot; and
 - means for suspending said enclosure underneath a second seat positioned forward of said seat.

3. (Withdrawn) The passenger seat of claim 2 wherein a drawstring is disposed around the periphery of said rear opening.

4. (Withdrawn) The passenger seat of claim 2 wherein said top wall of said footrest is attached underneath a bottom of said second seat by a plurality of fasteners.

5. (Withdrawn) A footrest assembly for a passenger seat which is mounted to a floor, comprising:

an enclosure having a front wall, opposed top and bottom walls, opposed side walls, and a rear opening, said enclosure defining a surface for support a passenger's foot; and

means for supporting said enclosure above said floor.

6. (Withdrawn) The footrest assembly of claim 5, wherein said footrest is suspended underneath a second seat positioned forward of said seat.

7. (Withdrawn) The footrest assembly of claim 6 wherein a drawstring is disposed around the periphery of said rear opening.

8. (Withdrawn) The footrest assembly of claim 6 wherein said top wall of said footrest is attached underneath a bottom of said second seat by a plurality of fasteners.

9. (Currently amended) A passenger seat for a vehicle, comprising:

a frame adapted for being attached to a floor of [[a]] the vehicle;

a seat bottom disposed on said frame for supporting a passenger; and

a footrest disposed forward of said seat bottom for supporting the feet of [[a]] the passenger ~~above said floor~~ with each foot in a different longitudinal position relative to said seat bottom, said footrest moveably mounted on spaced apart tracks extending

longitudinally along the floor of the vehicle for permitting movement of said footrest relative to said seat bottom.

10. (Currently amended) The passenger seat of claim 9, wherein said footrest comprises:

a first block for supporting a first foot of said passenger, said first block mounted on one of said spaced apart tracks for longitudinal generally linear translation relative to said seat bottom; and

a second block for supporting a second foot of said passenger, said second block mounted on the other of said spaced apart tracks for longitudinal generally linear translation relative to said seat bottom.

11. (Currently amended) The passenger seat of claim 10 wherein ~~said first and second blocks are interconnected such that forward longitudinal movement of one block causes rearward longitudinal movement of the other block~~ said first and second blocks are carried by said spaced apart tracks and wherein said spaced apart tracks are pivotally attached to the floor of the vehicle.

12. (Currently amended) The passenger seat of claim ~~[[10]]~~ 11 wherein ~~each block includes a non-slip surface thereon~~ said pivotally attached, spaced apart tracks are moveable between a horizontal use position and an upright storage position.

13. (Withdrawn) The passenger seat of claim 10 wherein said blocks are carried by a pair of spaced-apart rails, said rails being pivotally attached to said floor and moveable between:

- an upwardly-extending stowed position; and
- a use position wherein said rails extend along said floor.

14. (Withdrawn) The passenger seat of claim 9 wherein said footrest comprises a generally laterally extending foot bar disposed in a position relative to said seat for supporting first and second feet of a passenger seated in said seat above said floor, said foot bar being pivotable so as to support said first and second feet of said passenger in different longitudinal positions relative to said seat.

15. (Withdrawn) The passenger seat of claim 13 further including means for means for preventing said foot bar from pivoting once it is set in a desired position.

16. (Withdrawn) The passenger seat of claim 13 wherein said foot bar includes a non-slip surface thereon.

17. (Withdrawn) A passenger seat for vehicle, comprising:
a frame for being attached to a floor of a vehicle;
an upwardly-extending seat back carried by said frame;
a seat bottom carried by said frame for supporting a passenger; and
a footrest assembly attached said seat, said footrest moveable between:
a stowed position; and

a deployed position wherein said footrest extends rearward of said seat back for supporting the feet of a rear-seated passenger above said floor, wherein said footrest assembly includes a resilient support surface adapted to support each of a passenger's feet at a different height.

18. (Withdrawn) The passenger seat of claim 17, wherein said footrest assembly comprises:

a pair of spaced-apart rails; and

a laterally-extending foot bar disposed extending between said rails, wherein said support surface is disposed between said rails.

19. (Withdrawn) The passenger seat of claim 18, wherein said support surface comprises a grid of resilient strands.

20. (Withdrawn) The passenger seat of claim 19, wherein a forward end of each of said rails is pivotally attached to said seat back.

21. (Withdrawn) The passenger seat of claim 17, wherein when said footrest assembly is in said deployed position, passenger's feet are supported at a level equal to or above a height of a lower surface of said seat bottom.

22. (New) The passenger seat of claim 10, wherein each of said first and second blocks has a tapered foot-supporting surface formed of a resilient material.